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SOARING DOWN MAIN STREET

BGSU and the city
zip up new partnership

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Rally BG brings community together

Gretchen Troxell | Reporter

The city and the university partnered for the first Rally BG event to bring their respective communities together. Two blocks on Main Street were shut down Saturday to highlight many downtown businesses and attempt to provide normalcy amid the continuing pandemic.

Despite Saturday's heat, students walked over in groups as well as drove or rode the shuttle to the event. Community members joined them and brought their families and friends.

While the street was packed with entertainment, BGSU President Rodney Rogers hoped students explored downtown businesses, too.

Rogers said Floyd Craft, owner of Ben's, told him students often discover his store in their third or fourth year at BGSU.

"Wouldn't it be great if the first-year students learned about this? We want

students to realize what a great downtown we have and how it's a part of who we are as a college town," Rogers said.

BGSU takes pride in fostering a community between the town and its students. This fact is reflected in BGSU's achievement of being ranked one of the best college towns in America.

The majority of the downtown businesses were open and welcoming new and returning customers. Students got the chance to explore the various attractions and displays stores had to offer.

The event directly helped Bowling Green business owners and employees. Dawn Shinew, the dean of the BGSU College of Education and Human Development, commented that the event "was good for the local economy."

Among the many businesses and stores, there were plenty of opportunities for students and community members to enjoy treats downtown. Food trucks including Poppin'



"...recognizing that the Bowling Green community and BGSU depend on each other. We rely on each other and there's value in getting to know each other better, and it's an opportunity to build those relationships."

— Mike Aspacher —
Bowling Green Mayor

George's Kettle Corn, NeNe's Sweets, Manny's Munchies, Frenzy on the Go and Street Tacos Toledo lined the street and attracted long lines of customers.

The city's restaurants were also open to all and provided guests the opportunity to enjoy a taste of Bowling Green.

Chris Tracy, co-owner of Juniper Brewing Company, said Rally BG is an exciting event to "have right in their front yard."

"This is what we love to see: university students, families, all together. It's a dream," Tracy said.

Dress for a Day co-owner Martin Huffstutler agreed.

For newer businesses like Juniper and Dress for a Day, which opened in January, community exposure is vital, Huffstutler said.

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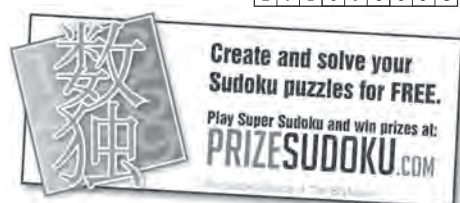
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University-wide vaccine mandate supported

USG unanimously passes emergency resolution

Andrew Bailey | Editor-in-Chief

BGSU's Undergraduate Student Government unanimously passed an emergency resolution supporting a university-wide mandate of the FDA-approved Pfizer vaccine.

USG and BGSU have a "moral obligation to place student health and safety at the highest priority," said USG President Alexander Chiarelott.

BGSU President Rodney Rogers urged a decision on the matter during a Friday meeting with USG representatives, Chiarelott said. So, in their first in-person general assembly since March 2020, USG pushed S.R. 02 into emergency resolution, as opposed to voting on it at the next general assembly on Sept. 13.

Two new senators were sworn in — Matthew Hill for non-traditional students and Grant Rospert for military students, who are all classified as non-traditional students. Due to USG's bylaws, new members are unable to vote at the assembly they are sworn in.

Both senators voiced their contempt with being unable to vote on the emergency resolution.

"We will be misrepresented in this issue today," Hill said.

Rospert, who represents about 650 military students, said the vote should have been on Sept. 13, when they would have been eligible.

"I was going to vote against mandating the vaccine. Therefore, I wanted my voice to be heard and my vote to be counted," Rospert said.

Treasurer Hobbes Treynor said USG voted with all students,



Undergraduate Student Government meets for the first time in-person since March 2020.

PHOTO BY ANDREW BAILEY

including those Hill and Rospert represent, in mind.

"I believe this resolution is for the benefit of the tens of thousands of students we, as a whole, represent," Treynor said.

Rospert said he does not disagree with the vaccine itself but is concerned with the principle of a government mandating a vaccine.

"How much overreach of the government is too much?" he asked.

While the USG resolution does not officially mandate a vaccine, it shows their support on behalf of the undergraduate student body and can affect the university's decision-making. They also support religious and health-related exemptions for students, faculty and staff upon

request, as well as a grace period to receive the vaccine.

Treynor, who co-sponsored the resolution, said the uncertainty of COVID-19's impact over the next two weeks necessitated an immediate vote.

"The Delta variant has proved to be aggressive in its contagion rate," he said.

The resolution cites the increasing severity of the Delta variant, recent vaccine mandates from other Ohio universities and the value of in-person education as reasons BGSU should mandate the Pfizer vaccine.

According to BGSU Chief Health Officer Ben Batey, 60.5% of students have started the vaccination process and 45.6% have completed

USG and BGSU have a "moral obligation to place student health and safety at the highest priority"

Alexander Chiarelott
USG President

the vaccination process. 69.5% of students living on campus have started the vaccination process, while 59.3% of them have completed it. ■

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Friday, Sept 10th

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📍 BOWEN THOMPSON
STUDENT UNION // **1PM**

Monday, Sept 13th

FREE FALL

📍 BGSU QUADRANGLE // **6PM TO 9PM**

Wednesday, Sept 15th

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VIOLINIST

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YOUR LIFE

Gretchen Troxell | Reporter

Movie:

Aftermath (2021)

If you recently fell back into your old Twilight obsession after all the movies were added to Netflix, *Aftermath* should be your next watch. This movie was directed by Peter Winther and stars Ashley Greene, the actress who played Alice Cullen, and Shawn Ashmore as a young dysfunctional couple who unfortunately decide to move into a house where a gruesome double-murder occurred. It is not long before unexplainable events begin to occur, and it becomes clear that their house is haunted. There is only one word to describe the ending of this movie and that is bonkers. Plus, even worse, it's based on a true story! *Aftermath* is streaming now on Netflix.



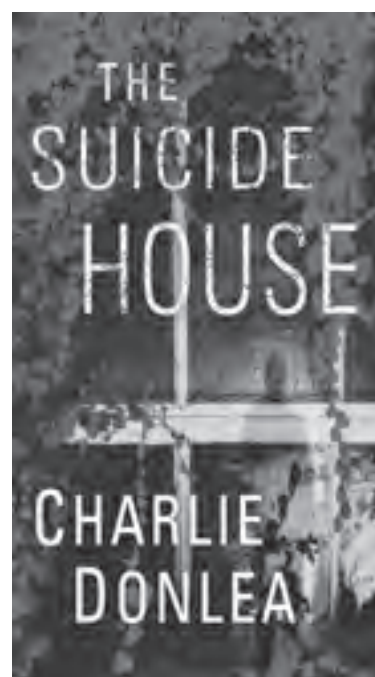
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Book:

The Suicide House by Charlie Donlea (2020)

The Suicide House revolves around one night at an Indiana preparatory high school in which two students were brutally murdered by their teacher. Although the teacher was convicted, there are various groups still interested in the story, specifically in the fact that a number of other students who were there that night have gone back to the murdersite and killed themselves there. This book follows multiple perspectives as some fight for the truth, others work to protect dark secrets, and everyone tries to stay alive. The mystery is slowly revealed throughout the book, but no matter how many clues you notice, rest assured, the ending is still sure to shock even the most careful reader.



Television:

Dead to Me created by Liz Feldman (2019-)

This Netflix Original starring Christina Applegate and Linda Cardellini is the epitome of a dark comedy. The show follows polar-opposites Jen and Judy who meet at a grief support group. Jen is the definition of a hot-head especially after her husband was killed in a hit-and-run, and she is stubbornly determined to find the person responsible no matter the cost. Judy is seemingly her exact opposite and a constant optimist. Judy immediately seeks to befriend Jen while also working to hide a destructive secret in order to protect Jen. This Emmy-nominated series perfectly mixes humor and suspense, and the last season is currently in production.



Music:

Riot! By Paramore (2007)

This album is the definition of an oldie but a goodie. Although, despite its age, *Riot!* remains relevant today as two members of Paramore, Hayley Williams and Joshua Farro, were just made co-writers of Olivia Rodrigo's hit song "Good 4 U" which shares similarities with "Misery Business," a single from the *Riot!* album. *Riot!* covers a variety of pop genres including emo, alternative, and rock and is meant to showcase raw emotion, hence the album title. The songs on this album are energetic and meant to be screamed at the top of your lungs while cruising down the highway at 3 a.m.



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Covid-19 Updates

On July 27, the CDC released new updates to the guidelines because of the new strain known as the Delta variant. As schools start back up all around the country, cases have slowly been on the rise as students are back in classrooms and living on college campuses.

As of Tuesday, Ohio has 1,220,900 total confirmed cases with 65,771 total hospitalizations and 20,866 total deaths since the Ohio Public Health Advisory System launched in 2020. As of Monday, the Wood County Health Department has posted 138 new cases since Aug. 26.

BGSU is requiring face coverings for everyone, regardless of vaccination status, while indoors until guidance from the CDC says otherwise. Unvaccinated individuals should wear a face-covering whenever they are around other students even if they are outside.

Many Ohio colleges and universities have now mandated the vaccine for the students, faculty and staff. These schools include Kent State University, Xavier University, Cleveland State University, The Ohio State University and more. As of Tuesday evening, BGSU has not mandated vaccinations for the campus community.

The announcement of Pfizer-BioNTech as the first COVID-19 vaccination approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration on Aug. 23. Based on the results received from a clinical trial conducted, the vaccines showed 91% effectiveness in preventing the COVID-19 disease.

Greek Life

As freshmen come into their first college experience they often seek out activities to do to meet new people and make long-lasting friendships. One of those options that are popular at universities and colleges is greek life.

Greek life is a community of students that is split into fraternities for males and sororities for females. The organizations are typically focused on developing leadership, philanthropy, and serving their community while forming strong "brother, sister" relationships.

At Bowling Green State University there are 40 active sororities and fraternities. Some of which include, Sigma Chi, Alpha Phi Alpha and Sigma Kappa. When students are interested in joining they all participate in rush.

Rushing is when students become acquainted with all the different fraternities and sororities that the campus has to offer. After a few activities on campus with the group, a student will get a bid to be in a certain organization, and if they accept the pledging process begins.

Every University is different in the ways they perform their rituals and what they feel the need to do in order to see if students are worthy to be part of their organization and sometimes it goes a little too far.

On March 7, 2021, a student by the name of Stone Foltz passed away after a hazing incident by the Pi Kappa Alpha International fraternity or Pike. After allegations that the fraternity violated six sections of the BGSU's code of student conduct. These included four counts of hazing and one count of harm to the other and one alcohol violation.

Foltz was forced to drink a whole bottle of liquor or he wouldn't be able to join PIKE. After consuming the drink in what sources say was under 20 minutes, he was taken back to his apartment where his fraternity members left him on his couch, and later Foltz's roommate found him later in the night and called 911.

In the wake of sophomore and Pi Kappa Alpha pledge Stone Foltz, BGSU has adopted an updated hazing policy.

"From a legal perspective, hazing is a crime. From the University's perspective, hazing is a violation of Policy and antithetical to the ideals and values of our learning community related to belonging and personal growth. Prevention of hazing is the responsibility of every member of the University community, including students, student organizations, student groups, employees, and alumni," the policy reads in part.

If you or anyone you know that is being pressured or is in a situation where hazing is involved call the BGSU Police at, 419-372-2346, or in an emergency call 911.

You can also call the hazing report line call, 419-372-HAZE(4293). See it. Hear it. Report it.

Afghanistan

In April 2021, President Joe Biden made an announcement that the United States military would leave Afghanistan by September 2021. As the month of May came around the U.S military ramped up the action to bring back the troops, and by July 2021, the United States was at 95% withdrawal completion, leaving only 650 troops to protect the U.S embassy in Kabul.

After a two-decade war, the Taliban has now seized power in Afghanistan and has captured all major cities. The government has collapsed, President Ashraf Ghani has abandoned the country, Afghans now fear for the future and have fled to the airport as one of the last options to leave the country.

Thousands of Afghans took to the airport, as desperation came among many, citizens grasped the sides of a military jet as it took off into the sky, leaving them to plummet to their deaths. With an act to try and disperse the crowds, fired warning shots went off in the air leaving at least seven people to die in chaos.

The U.S and its NATO allies came together and spent billions of dollars over a span of two decades to help train, prepare, and equip Afghan security forces. But Western-backed governments were doomed to corruption. As the Taliban quickly advanced faster than soldiers could act upon, units surrendered after brief battles, Kabul and nearby provinces fell without a fight.

With the takeover of Afghanistan, the Taliban have said that women's rights are to be respected under Islamic law. Many women when The Taliban arrived feared that they once again would have to be confined to their homes. Instead, Afghan women have gained more since the overthrow.

The death toll has risen to 169 Afghans, a number that could still increase as more is examined. And 13 U.S service members, one of which was Maxton William Soviak. Soviak was a man from Northern Ohio serving for his country as a corpsman in the U.S Navy. Aug. 26 has now been marked as one of the deadliest attacks since the U.S led forces into Afghanistan almost 20 years ago.

The Taliban have pledged to stop Afghanistan from being the base for attacks on other countries, a key U.S demand that was created in the 2020 peace deal. But this still leaves questions up in the air to know what truly will happen without the U.S troops there to regulate the peace.

The real-life Wall-e's

Have you ever been sitting in your dorm room and get the late-night munchies? Or don't have a vehicle to take you somewhere to eat dinner? Walk outside if you are able to on-campus and just wait. Most likely a little white robot with an orange flag will come zippy by you. Or, try and maneuver its way around you to deliver food.

The company behind these revolutionary robots is Starship. Starship offers people convenient new services that improve everyday life by delivering packages and food. Launched in 2014 by the Skype co-founders, Ahti Heinla and Janus Friis, these cute robots now operate in several cities across the world making thousands of deliveries every day.

In March of 2020, Bowling Green State University was the first university in Ohio to partner with Starship Tech to deliver food services to students on campus and is the only autonomous delivery provider in the state.

Students are able to order from nine campus eateries such as; Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts, Jamba Juice, Marcos Pizza, Panda Express, Chickendippity, Mondo's Subs, Kreischer Late Night and the BGSU Dining convenience stores.

Simply download the app on your apple or android device and search Starship, allow your device to know your location, put in the dorm you live or your address, and begin adding items into your basket. Entry your payment information, confirm, and while you wait you can track the robot on your phone.

When your robot arrives you will unlock it with your phone and enjoy your food! There is also a current service charge of \$1.99. Each restaurant you order from has a wait time between 10 and 82 minutes.

Remember on a busy campus the robots are programmed to maneuver around anything and everything that is in front of their sensors, so it may take a bit longer to deliver your food. Be patient as these real-life Wall-e's are here to serve and satisfy you as fast as they can.

PEOPLE ON THE STREET

BGSU Athletics has vax mandates, how would you feel if it became campus-wide?

** Players have to be vaccinated to play*



EMILY TAYLOR
FRESHMAN
Early Childhood Education

"I feel like the mandate on vaccinations should be optional because I don't think every student would want to get it."



AARON GROSS
JUNIOR
Integrated Social Studies Education

"I would prefer if everyone was vaccinated. I know that some people would have a problem with it becoming mandatory, but I wouldn't mind."



LAUREN KLEES
FRESHMAN
Communication Sciences and Disorders

"I would love it if the mandate became campus-wide to keep our community and families safe!"



MAX HANNA
JUNIOR
Liberal Studies

"Since I already got my vaccination, it wouldn't bother me if vaccines became mandatory at BGSU."

Student Legal Services: \$9 is the 'best deal for attorneys'

Leah Shadle | Reporter

Every Bowling Green State University student sees a list of optional fees when they pay their bill each semester. One of these fees is a \$9 charge for student legal services, which provides students with a variety of legal assistance.

BGSU employs two full time attorneys on campus: Attorney Rodney A. Fleming and Attorney Michael S. Skulina. Both have worked for the university for over twenty years. As long as students do not opt out of the fee, they can use the legal services at no extra cost to them.

"The students are pooling their money and then those that need it get a great benefit. Those who choose to come and see us don't have to pay anything else. For that nine dollars they get access to two full time attorneys who will go to court in the local court system for them," Fleming said.

This is important because attorneys off campus can have rates per hour of over \$150 along with high upfront costs. The \$9 fee is much more accessible and helps students in need.

"We can at least give you advice and direction on the best ways to resolve or handle your legal issue," Fleming said. "We have been doing this long enough that we have a pretty extensive network of attorneys that we can refer students to."

— Rodney Fleming —
BGSU Attorney

In addition to low costs, the office can also help students quickly. Appointments can be set within a couple of days, instead of waiting for a much longer amount of time to find representation.

Attorney Skulina said, "I would just really encourage students to utilize us...They don't realize this office is here and the extreme benefit that we can provide to them if the need

arises."

The office, located in the College Park office building just past Falcon Heights, can provide legal counsel and representation for a multitude of legal cases. "We have our core sort of caseload that involves misdemeanor criminal defense, a lot of alcohol related and

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Michael Skulina and Rodney Fleming

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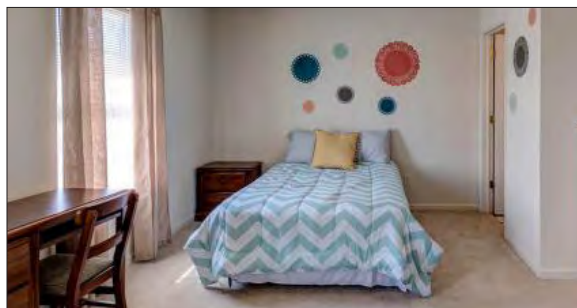
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half of what we do," Fleming said. Attorney Skulina clarifies, "That would include traffic."

However, there are certain limitations to what Attorneys Fleming and Skulina can represent a student in court for. While parking violations, domestic matters and landlord-tenant issues are covered, legal cases involving immigration, taxes and property damage claims must be taken to another attorney off campus. This is due to limits based on geographical location, money and time. Both attorneys can only travel so far to represent one student.

Students can be helped outside of the Bowling Green municipality, as some cases have occurred in Perrysburg and other

surrounding cities and counties. Other aspects of legal issues, including taxes and immigration, experience many changes in law every year so it would be in students best interest to find a lawyer who specializes in that area.

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BGSU Attorney

have a legal question at all you shouldn't hesitate to make an appointment and come on in and meet with one of us," Fleming said. "A lot of times by addressing a legal issue before it...gets out of hand, you can keep it under control, quickly resolved, and not impact your life much at all." ■

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What does SLS help BGSU students with?

"SLS assists students in responding to legal problems that may adversely affect their well-being or interfere with academic endeavors. The services offered are meant to assist student in resolving problems for which it would be otherwise difficult or impossible to obtain legal services at affordable prices. In this way, SLS helps BGSU to accomplish its mission of fostering a positive living and learning environment for student success and retention. Legal advice, in-court representation and education is available for a variety of civil and criminal matters that are likely to impact a student."

How much do students pay to be able to utilize SLS if needed?

"Students pay a \$9.00 participation fee at the beginning of each semester for the ability to utilize the program for the entire semester."

What if students waive their participation fee?

"With attorney fees ranging from \$150 to \$300 per hour, participation in the SLS program at \$9.00 per semester seems like an unbeatable deal. Still, some students who opt out of the program have lived to regret that decision. Once the fee has been waived, services cannot be provided if a legal issue should later arise. I often must deny requests for services from students and parents who later call after waiving the fee."

Can SLS help out students with landlords and lease contracts?

"Annual lease contracts provisions spell out binding legal rights and responsibilities that, when misunderstood or misinterpreted, can escalate into a civil judgment obligating a student to pay thousands of dollars. Without affordable legal assistance, students are placed in the difficult position of defending themselves against landlords with greater experience in the business as well as deeper pockets. Disputes over the condition of the rental unit, necessary or promised repairs, landlord fees and assessments, threats of eviction and security deposit refunds can directly impact a student's ability to live safely and comfortably while pursuing their higher education. SLS is able to level the playing field for students in these difficult situations."

Can SLS help out students with traffic offenses?

"Even traffic tickets threaten the stretched budgets of students. In addition to significant fines that accompany normal speeding or stop sign violations, once points are assessed to the driver's license, insurance rates can skyrocket for younger drivers that are already viewed as high-risk customers. Depending on the facts of the case, SLS assistance in seeking a dismissal or reduction to a no-point offense can save hundreds of dollars that could be better spent on living and educational expenses. SLS is also extremely helpful

with more serious traffic offenses such as OVI or Driving Under Suspension. With proper representation, the complicated bureaucracy surrounding a driver's license revocation can be successfully navigated."

Can SLS help out students with criminal offenses?

"Misdemeanor criminal offenses such as Underage Alcohol, Fake ID and Petty Theft can make it impossible for a student to continue when jail time and thousands of dollars in fines are contemplated. First time offenders are often surprised to learn that convictions can stay on a record for life unless record sealing procedures are commenced after a mandatory waiting period. SLS routinely assists students in avoiding these legal pitfalls."

This is not an exhaustive list of all the things Student Legal Services can and cannot do for students. If you're a student unsure about what SLS might do for you, simply call the office and schedule an appointment.

Connect with SLS:

@BGStudentLegal



"Having this resource was extremely helpful because without it I am not sure how I would have gotten out of my situation."

SLS Client Testimony

Falcon Four:

Best Selfie Spots on Campus

By Falcon Media Staff

If you're on social media, you've probably seen and posted countless selfies. Sometimes they capture a moment or a mood. But the best selfies have a sense of place. When it comes to the BGSU campus, here are four spots tailor-made for memorable selfies.

THE FALCON STATUE

Situated just outside the Stroh Center, a selfie with this bronze beauty will definitely make an impression. Once installed in 2010, the 2-ton, 23-foot statue became the largest bronze falcon statue in the world and has earned it a spot on many "must-see" lists, including the eponymous Roadside America and Atlas Obscura websites. Falcon Spirit Plaza's dominant element, its dramatic design and placement allow for a near-endless array of options for your selfie, including the words to "Forward Falcons."

THINKING MAN

The campus boasts some great statues, but it's hard to beat the "The Thinking Man" statue embedded in the north lawn of Olscamp Hall. Much like the Falcon statue, it's design and positioning offer many photo options, especially because it sits in the shadows of Olscamp Hall, which means you can have a lot of fun playing with shadows and light on a sunny day. In case you didn't know, the building is named after Paul J. Olscamp, who served as BG's president for 13 years from 1982 to 1995. He passed away in 2014.



Kyle Nelson



Alex Peterson

BGSU LETTERS

If you toured campus before you made the great decision to attend BGSU, chances are you took a photo in front of this iconic spot, so here's a chance to do a "how things started, how they're going" selfie pairing. Its structure makes it perfect for time-lapse and group photos, too. The letters were installed on the campus oval only two years ago. Pro tip: Consider using your camera's timer function for this one and try several positions to find the one you like best.

THE UNIVERSITY SEAL IN THE QUAD

Unlike the first three spots, this one has some serious history and legend to it. For one, the original seal was designed in 1914, not long after the school was established. It underwent a number of changes over the years until it evolved into the form seen on the Quad since 1958. That's the history. According to the university website, the legends are a little more complicated: First, if you and your sweetheart are holding hands

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and let go as you walk around opposite sides of the seal, you will soon break up. And if you stand on the seal for reasons other than kissing your sweetheart or graduation photos, you may not graduate. And speaking of academics, if you pass to the right of the seal, you will do well on your next test, but if you pass to the left of the seal, you will fail your next test. Anyway, a selfie with the seal is a right of passage.

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■ BGSU volleyball travel to Butler for Top Dog Challenge

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Falcon spike Butler in Top Dawg Challenge

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The Orange and Brown officially got their season started this past weekend in the Top Dawg Challenge, where the Falcons were able to pick up their first win of the season against host team Butler, while falling in the other two matches on the weekend to start the season 1-2. Coach Danijela Tomic was able to pick up win No. 150 on her BGSU career with the win over Butler on Saturday. Tomic wasn't the only Falcon with a notable accomplishment this weekend as fifth-year senior Katie Kidwell etched her name in BGSU volleyball history as she collected block assist number 445 to pass Kendra Halm's record of 443 to become the programs all-time record holder.

BG fell in the first match to University of Illinois Chicago 1-3 before taking Match 2 against Butler on Friday in four sets (3-1). It was another nail-biter on Saturday as the Falcons gave the Indiana Hoosiers everything they could handle, forcing five sets, but Indiana was able to walk away victorious three sets to two.

The Falcons return to action again this coming weekend as they head to South Bend, Indiana, for the Shamrock Invitational, which will feature the Cincinnati Bearcats, Milwaukee Panthers and host Notre Dame Fighting Irish.



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BGSU womens soccer team looks to continue winning in 2021

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Women's soccer beats Oakland in home opener

BRANDON LOE |
FALCON MEDIA SPORTS DIRECTOR

Bowling Green Women's Soccer took on the Oakland Golden Grizzlies in their home opener at Cochrane Stadium on Sunday.

Entering the match Bowling Green had dropped their previous matches in games against Notre Dame, Michigan, and Ohio State.

Sunday's home match seemed to start in Oakland's favor with the Golden Grizzlies having a lot of possession following the opening kickoff. Then in the 17th minute the Falcons turned the tables scoring the first goal of the contest coming from the feet of Madi Wolfbauer. The Falcons went on to score twice more in the first half on goals from Nikki Cox and Ruby Linton.

In the second half, it was more of the same from Bowling Green

scoring three more goals. Cox and Wolfbauer both scored their second goals of the match, and then sophomore Rylee Clark scored her first career goal for the orange and brown.

Senior captain, Madi Wolfbauer, talked about the message inside the team meeting after the game.

"It was a great team win, the starting 11 were great and the bench players were great. We've been looking forward to the home opener and we played real Bowling Green women's soccer today," smiled Wolfbauer.

Next up for the Falcons will be a trip to East Lansing on Thursday to take on Big Ten opponent Michigan State. It will be the Falcons third Big Ten opponent of the season.

"The reason we choose to play these large non-conference

"We've been looking forward to the home opener and we played real Bowling Green women's soccer today."

— Madi Wolfbauer —
Senior Captain

opponents is so we are hitting our stride once we get to conference play," said Falcons Head Coach Jimmy Walker.

The match between the Falcons and Spartan will be the 18th meeting between the two teams. Kickoff is set for Thursday at 7 p.m. and can be viewed on Big Ten Network Plus (BTN+). ■

CLASH OF ORANGE

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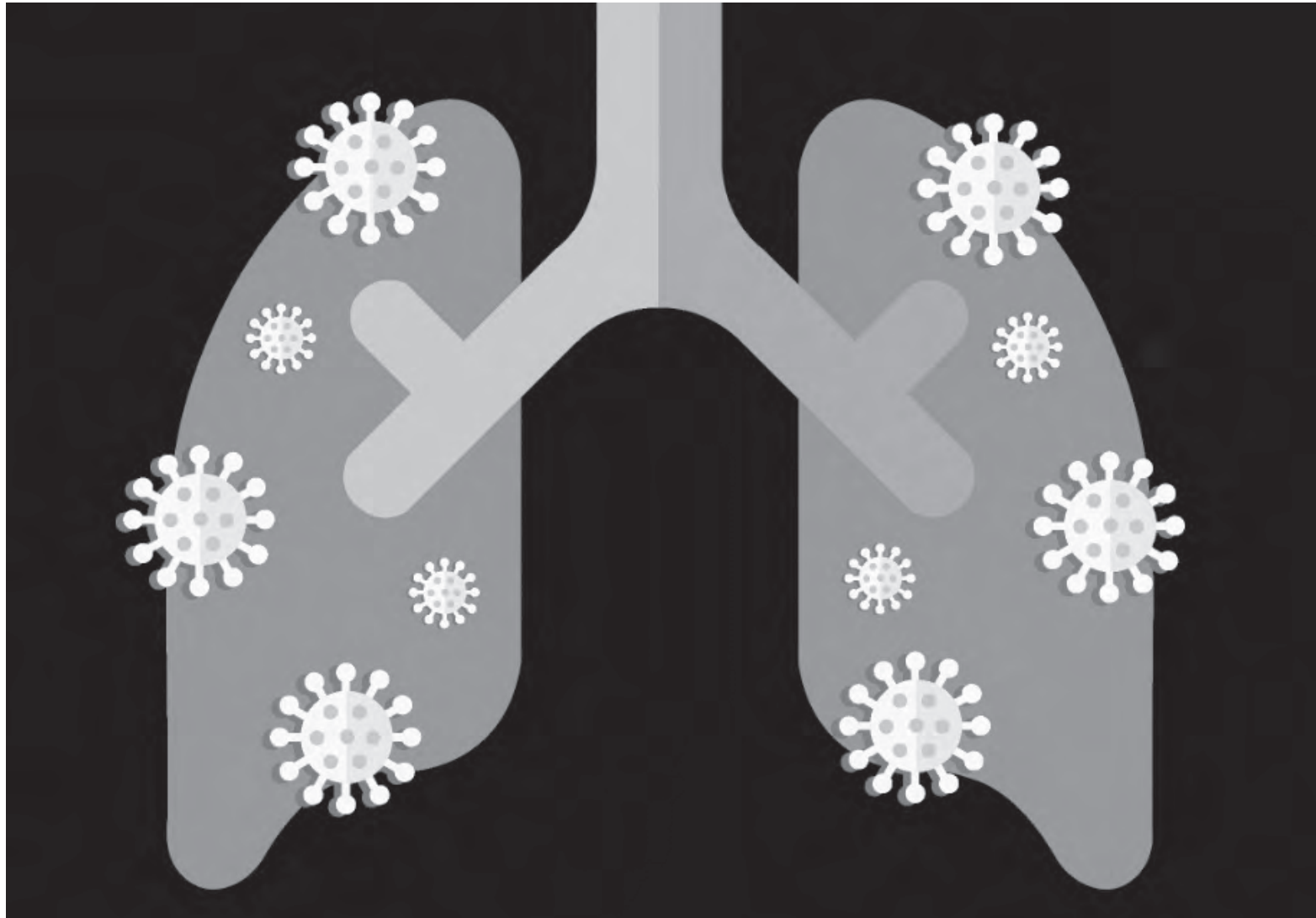
BGSU opens up the 2021 football season as they travel to Knoxville on Thursday to take on the Tennessee Volunteers. The Falcons, who are under Coach Scot Loeffler for his third season, are coming off a less than ideal season in which the Falcons went 0-5 all in MAC play. The team will look to find an offensive identity under senior Matt McDonald, the second-year transfer from Boston College.

The Falcons and the Volunteers have met one other time in program history back in 2015. This matchup was an offensive showdown as the Volunteers walked away victorious, 59-30. This game featured current NFL superstar Alvin Kamara for the Vol's, who rushed for a total of 144 yards on 15 touches for two touchdowns. The Falcons, meanwhile, were extremely formidable in the passing game where QB Matt Johnson went 27/49 for 424 yards and two touchdowns.

Though it should be a more conservative game, history suggests that there may be an offensive showdown in a Clash of Orange.



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Vaccine mandated for BGSU athletics

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BGSU ATHLETICS MANDATES VACCINE

BRANDON LOE |
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An email from BGSU Athletic Director Bob Moosbrugger landed in the inboxes of an athletic department mailing list Tuesday advising them on a new requirement for all student-athletes, coaches and staff to be fully vaccinated by Oct. 15.

Moosbrugger said the vaccine was “in the best interest for the overall health and safety of the department.”

The athletic community must be vaccinated with the first dose by Sept. 15 with BGSU Athletics holding a vaccine clinic in the Sebo Athletic

Center on Sept. 3 for all personnel.

The announcement from BGSU Athletics said while all personnel should be vaccinated they will offer “balanced and appropriate” exemptions for medical, religious or personal reasons.

The email also hinted that a university-wide vaccination plan would be coming.

The other big news is that the second paragraph concluded by saying that a university-wide vaccination plan would be forthcoming.

BGSU Athletics says that while they expect all personnel to be vaccinated they will offer “balanced and appropriate” exemptions for medical, religious, or personal reasons.

— Brandon Loe—

Falcon Media Sports Director

UPCOMING EVENTS:

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND



BGSU vs. TENNESSEE // 8PM
FOOTBALL // TV: SEC Network

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD



BGSU vs. CSU // 7PM
MENS SOCCER

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH



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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH



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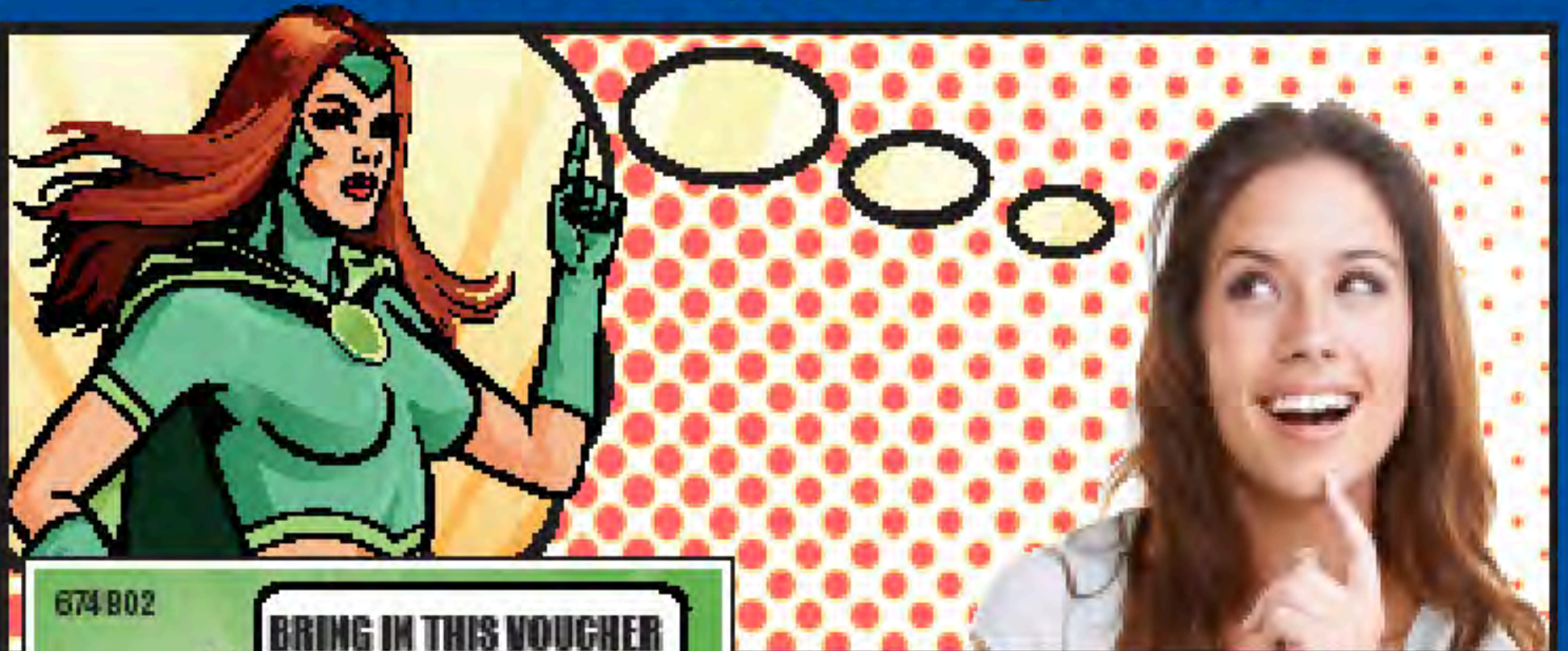
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“At the end of the day, I think this is all about building community, recognizing that the Bowling Green community and BGSU depend on each other. We rely on each other and there's value in getting to know each other better, and it's an opportunity to build those relationships,” Bowling Green Mayor Mike Aspacher said.

The 90-degree heat didn't stop students and Bowling Green residents from participating in the various activities either.

The event was split into two sections: an afternoon and evening rally. The afternoon had more child-centric events, including dinosaur-themed activities, dance performances and showings of “A Bug's Life” and “Jurassic Park.”

The evening rally brought in more college students and older community members, while keeping a family-friendly atmosphere.

Students quickly connected with and joined friend groups as they walked the street together. A photo booth and selfie station allowed students to capture memories.

At the beginning of the evening rally, crowds gathered around to watch the BGSU marching band perform. Later in the evening, the BGSU dance and cheer team entertained all ages with an energetic and engaging performance.

BGSU mascots, Freddie and Frieda Falcon, made appearances throughout the event and greeted both students and community members, and they happily posed for numerous pictures with the crowd.

SICSIC, the BGSU spirit team, set up a poster making station and offered signs for guests that wanted a personalized message. This activity allowed students to check off an item on the BGSU bucket list: Item No. 6, “Steal a SICSIC Sez sign (or ask them to make you one).”

Bowling Green residents Greg and Bethanie Jenkins brought their daughters Lily and Olivia for dinosaur story time at 11 a.m. They decided to come back for the evening, too, to hit the food trucks and let Lily and Olivia make their own street signs.

The city's residents and students were brought together for many of the activities.

“I think sometimes you forget when you're a college student that there's a community beyond the campus boundary, and so

“This is what we love to see: university, students, families, all together. Its a dream.”

— Chris Tracy —

Co-Owner of Juniper Brewing Company

opportunities to get out and meet people and get to know the community is always a good thing,” Shinew said.

The event was meant to bring normalcy to the students and community, and the outside venue was picked to allow for physical social distancing, Aspacher said.

Aspacher said that “incorporating COVID-safe protocols” heavily influenced the planning of the event.

With that in mind, he also stated that since a lot of events had to be canceled during the pandemic last year, Rally BG was “an opportunity to come together and build those relationships.”

While the activities themselves, like the zipline, bounce house and Ninja Warrior course, were spaced out, many lines and crowds were packed together.

Face masks were not required, and Rogers said everyone was “being respectful of each other,” whether they chose to mask up or not.

Although this was the first Rally BG to ever occur, there is a possibility that it will become an annual event. Rogers said he “certainly hopes” this event will continue.

Bowling Green resident Kathy Roloff agreed that Rally BG should not be a one time only event. Roloff believed the event was so beneficial that it could be justified as a “once-a-month thing.”

“We hope this year will be a building block, and we'll be able to put this event on an annual basis, continuing to grow the event, and build on the success of this year,” Aspacher said. ■



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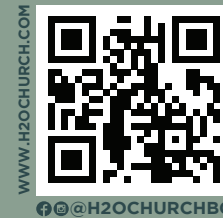
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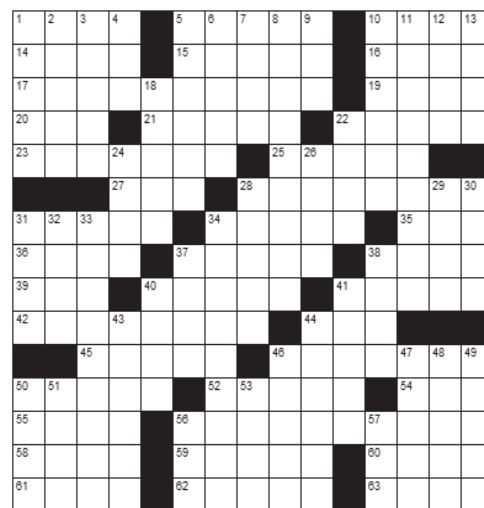
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10. Notice
11. Flexible
12. Sandwich shop
13. 1 1 1 1
18. Loosen, as laces
22. Gambling game
24. Female sheep (plural)
26. Go on horseback
28. Contemplates
29. Angers
30. What a person is called
31. Swill

32. Sweet gritty-textured fruit
33. A progressive
34. Outwits
37. Sense
38. Cravings
40. A social club for male undergraduates
41. Segments of DNA
43. Japanese hostess
44. Frogmen
46. Have second thoughts
47. A form of oxygen
48. Subtract
49. Excrete
50. Ambitions
51. To endure (archaic)
53. Nurse shark
56. Snagged
57. Not bottom

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1. A box or chest
5. Scatter
10. Carpenter's groove
14. Ancient Peruvian
15. Stage
16. Biblical garden
17. Instability
19. Story
20. Historic period
21. Whinny
22. Caps
23. Greek goddess of fertility
25. Construct
27. Be victorious
28. Service
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